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CATTLE ON FEED

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The number of cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Colorado feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or larger was estimated at 850,000 head as of July 1, 2016. The latest inventory was 2 percent above July 1, 2015 inventory but 4 percent below the previous month's inventory. The inventory included 550,000 steer and steer calves, down 2 percent from the previous year. The number of heifer and heifer calves, at 300,000 head, are up 11 percent from a year ago. Cattle feeders with 1,000 head or larger capacity marketed an estimated 140,000 head of fed cattle during June 2016. This was 8 percent above the previous month's marketings, and 12 percent above marketings one year earlier. An estimated 105,000 cattle and calves were placed on feed during June, 22 percent below the previous month's placements, but 31 percent above June 2015 placements. Of the number placed in June, 14 percent weighed less than 600 pounds, 14 percent weighed from 600 to 699 pounds, 29 percent weighed from 700 to 799 pounds, and 43 percent weighed 800 pounds and greater. Other disappearance for June, at 5,000 head, was 10,000 head below last month and last year.

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Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.4 million head on July 1, 2016. The inventory was 1 percent above July 1, 2015. The inventory included 6.87 million steers and steer calves, down 1 percent from the previous year. This group accounted for 66 percent of the total inventory. Heifers and heifer calves accounted for 3.49 million head, up 5 percent from 2015. Placements in feedlots during June totaled 1.53 million head, 3 percent above 2015. Net placements were 1.46 million head. During June, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 290,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 255,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 340,000 head, and 800 pounds and greater were 640,000 head. Marketings of fed cattle during June totaled 1.91 million head, 9 percent above 2015. Other disappearance totaled 61,000 head during June, 12 percent below 2015.

For a full copy of the July 2016 *Cattle on Feed* report please visit www.nass.usda.gov.